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# Rewald's Lifestyle, Largesse Pulled In Ring of Admirers

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house at 811 Kumukahi Place.

Just as the polo grounds afforded Rewald a chance to mix with the Island elite, owning such a car dealership also was a good place to make contacts.

The opening of MotorCars Hawaii in January was attended by such people as entertainer Danny Kaleikini, Lt. Gov. John Waihee, state Sen. Benjamin Cayetano and actor Jack Lord.

Rewald and Bishop, Baldwin, Rewald, Dillingham & Wong contributed some \$4,500 to Waihee's campaign, but Waihee said he was not aware of the contribution until Rewald surfaced publicly.

WAIHEE SAID he met Rewald on three occasions because of the lieutenant governor's interest in international trade and Rewald's apparent experience in international investment.

Rewald also had some contact with Gov. George Ariyoshi, and was photographed by news cameras sitting with the governor's wife in the VIP tent at the polo grounds.

Another political figure who developed a relationship with Rewald is former City Councilman Daniel Clement Jr.

Clement joined the firm in May as a consultant specializing in estate planning and international

business. One source said one of Clement's roles would have been to introduce foreign businessmen to influential government leaders here.

Although the Star-Bulletin made several attempts to contact Clement about his job with the company, he did not respond to the inquiries.

ISLAND ACTOR and personality Jack Lord had a closer relationship with Rewald. Lord and his wife, Marie, gave Rewald nine pieces from his art collection to decorate the MotorCars Hawaii showroom.

Sources said Lord may have unwittingly led investors to put money in Bishop, Baldwin, Rewald, Dillingham & Wong simply through his apparent congenial relationship with Rewald.

Lord also could not be reached for comment.

Kaleikini apparently also was a personal friend of Rewald's. According to court records, Rewald paid the \$10,426 bill to have Kaleikini's car restored at MotorCars Hawaii.

Kaleikini also could not be reached for comment.

REWALD ALSO attracted interest from the military community.

Lt. Gen. Arnold W. Braswell, commander in chief of the Pacific Air Forces, invested about \$100,000 in Bishop, Baldwin, Rewald, Dillingham & Wong. Sources said Braswell also was considering joining the firm as a consultant.

Braswell did not wish to comment on his contact with Rewald.

Ret. Brig. General Benjamin Cassiday, whose son is a deputy federal public defender, also invested about \$50,000 in Rewald's company. Neither could be reached for comment.

Rewald associated with a number of lawyers and many of them worked for him at one time or another.

Russell Kim, attorney for the Hawaii Federation of Physicians and Dentists, was Rewald's personal attorney for a while and bought the Lon Nol house from Rewald.

OTHER ATTORNEYS associated with Rewald include D. Alden Newland, who resigned as company attorney shortly after Rewald's attempted suicide; Dana Smith, who filed the incorporation papers for Rewald's company, and Robert Jinks, an attorney with a long-standing relationship with Rewald.

Jinks told Securities and Exchange Commission investigators he was the regional manager of Bishop, Baldwin, Rewald, Dillingham & Wong's West Coast offices.

Also listed as legal consultants on a company pamphlet were Gerald N.Y.C. Lam, Timothy Holzer and polo player Ralph Black.

**RESIDENCE**—The gates in front of the Kalanianaʻole home of Ronald R. Rewald, head of the bankrupt company Bishop, Baldwin, Rewald, Dillingham & Wong, are decorated with his initials. — Star-Bulletin Photo by Terry Luke.



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